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## MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

As General Smith left the White House this morning after his regular Friday briefing for the President, he was stopped by two reporters, one of whom was known to General Smith and the undersigned (Anthony Leviero, Washington correspondent of the New York Times), and was asked what he, General Smith, had seen the President about and if there were any comments on the editorial in today's TIMES-HERALD.

General Smith indicated that he had discussed the world situation with the President, and, as far as the editorial in the TIMES-HERALD was concerned, he could only refer to the law (Public Law 253) which states that CIA shall have no police, subpoena, law-enforcement powers, or internal security functions in the United States and/or her possessions.

General Smith was also asked if he intended to "reorganize CIA" to which he answered he did not intend to make any major changes for at least six months in order that he might determine what was needed. He did mention, however, that he planned to bring in "some qualified people in the field of intelligence and research, one of whom was [redacted] University."

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